



# Black Diamond Coal Company

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 9th and Berks Streets  
 6th and Willow Streets  
 Beach Street, above Poplar  
 and 25 East Chelton Avenue  
 Germantown

PHILADELPHIA, July 19th, 1865

TELEPHONE 3053

Major Herman Kutz,

Supt. United States Mint,

Philadelphia.

Dear Sir:-We beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of to-day respecting Lykens Valley Buckwheat coal delivered to the United States Mint, and immediately upon receipt of your letter, we called upon the sales agent of the P. & R. C. & I. Co., from whom we purchase the coal, and with their inspector called upon you in reference to the coal. We have strictly complied with the specifications, and have supplied the very best Lykens Valley coal in the market, and we feel confident that we have in every respect complied with the qualifications of the contract.

After leaving the Mint, and judging from the conversation in the Boiler Room, the gentlemen in charge seems to depend entirely upon the statements of the fire-men as to the quality of the coal.

The characteristics of Lykens Valley coal are, first, a very soft and free-burning coal, leaving as a residuum a corrugated mass of honey-combed clinkers, the ashes being red, interspersed with flecks of white. This coal produces a most intense heat, fusing into a common mass, and requiring cleaning about once in every twenty hours under ordinary conditions.

Wholesale and Retail

A. J. SPEESE



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NARA RG104, Entry 1, Box 190

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